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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Michael Nuttall and  
Garry Anthony Mercaldi

Attorney Docket No. : 500803.02

Serial No. : 10/075,640

Group Art Unit : 2818

Filed : February 13, 2002

Examiner : David Vu

Title : METHOD FOR ENHANCING VERTICAL GROWTH DURING THE SELECTIVE FORMATION OF SILICON, AND STRUCTURES FORMED USING SAME

### REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Sir:

Applicants request continued examination, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of the above-identified application.

#### 1. Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a.  Submission previously submitted
  - i.  Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - iii.  Consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

b.  Submission enclosed

- i.  Amendment/Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
- ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

**2. Suspension of Action** (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months.

**3. Accompanying Papers**

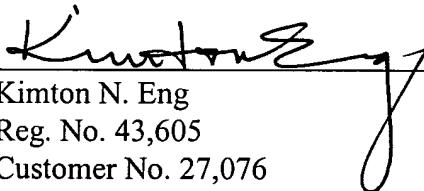
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- Petition

**4. Deposit Account**

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required in the above-identified patent application to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

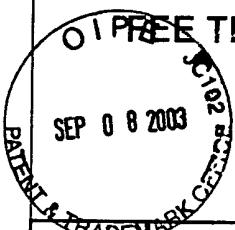
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Complete if Known	
Application No.	10/075,640
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**METHOD OF PAYMENT (Check One)**

1. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and 1.136(a)(3) and credit any over payments to Deposit Account No.: 50-1266; Deposit Account Name: DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP

2.  Check Enclosed

## **FEE CALCULATION**

**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity		Small Entity		
<u>Fee Code</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Code</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Description</u>
101	750	201	375	<input type="checkbox"/> Utility Filing Fee
106	330	206	165	<input type="checkbox"/> Design Filing Fee
108	750	208	375	<input type="checkbox"/> Reissue Filing Fee
114	160	214	80	<input type="checkbox"/> Provisional Filing Fee
				<b>Subtotal (1)</b>
				<b>\$0</b>

## **2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

Current Claims	Prior	Extra	Fee	Fee Paid
Total <b>18</b>	-      22	= <b>0</b>	x      \$	= <b>\$0</b>
Ind. <b>2</b>	-      3	= <b>0</b>	x      \$	= <b>\$0</b>
Multiple Dependent Claims		<hr/>	x      \$	= <hr/>
<b>Subtotal (2)</b>				<b>\$0</b>

Large Entity		Small Entity		
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	<u>Fee Description</u>
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent Claim
109	84	209	42	Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

### **3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - Late filing fee or oath	\$
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	\$
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	\$
147	2,520	147	2,520	For Filing a Request for Reexamination	\$
195	300	196	300	Publication (early or Republication)	\$
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	\$
116	410	216	205	Extension for reply within 2 <sup>nd</sup> month	\$
117	930	217	465	Extension for reply within 3 <sup>rd</sup> month	\$
118	1,450	218	725	Extension for reply within 4 <sup>th</sup> month	\$
128	1,970	280	985	Extension for reply within 5 <sup>th</sup> month	\$
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	\$
121	280	270	140	Request for oral hearing	\$
148	110	248	55	Terminal Disclaimer Fee	\$
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable	\$
141	1,300	241	650	Petition to revive – unintentional	\$
142	1,300	242	650	Utility/Reissue issue fee (+ advance copies)	\$
143	470	243	235	Design issue fee (+ advance copies)	\$
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	\$
123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	\$
126	180	126	180	Submission of IDS	\$
581	40	81	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	\$
179	750	279	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	\$750
Other fee (specify)					\$
				Subtotal (3)	\$750

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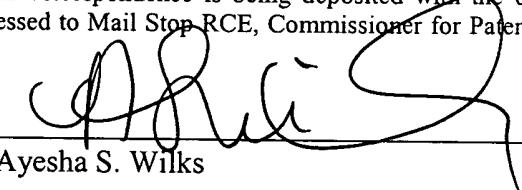


**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 2800**

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Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.